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Dear Phil:

I read your letter of the 18th with real consternation: how the h' can you get anything done.

Of course we would want very much to have you come this fall, and if you can help by scheduling a time in advance, so much the better. Probably Oct. 1 or soon thereafter would get us away from the September hectic.

I did see a minute gap in your schedule: could you sneak up from Chicago c. June 11, or perhaps en route from there (?) to Quebec; make this official or not as you please: we'll pay your fare ourselves if you want to make just a social call! If this elicits a groan on your part, just forget I asked. We'll be away ourselves the week of June 18.

You do have my sympathies, and my felicitations to Mrs. Edwards and yourself ~~your~~ for your daughter.

What is Kauffmann doing in Quebec--and I hope there's nothing sinister in "perhaps for the last time"; that rather worried me. I hope you don't mean much more than his reaching time to retire.

I was sorry to hear of Felix' death; as one of his onetime associates wrote me however, it might be as well he did not have to bear what would have been a great disappointment in the trials of the Vi vaccines. Is any vaccine much good?

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg

P.S. Do you know anything about the typhoid "epidemic" we're having in Wisconsin? [Curious I should have to ask you about it!]